

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A system for simplifying selection of security profile rules within a computer system utilizes a display device and a security application. The security application defines a list of security rules for locking down resources of a computer system and

5     categorizes these rules into a plurality of categories. The security application displays at least one of these categories on a screen of the display device. When a user selects one of the categories, the security application determines which of the security rules are associated with the selected category and displays each of these associated security rules. The user then may enable ones of the displayed rule, and the security

10    application, in response to an activation request, causes the computer system to enforce the enabled rules by modifying a machine state of the computer system.